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# MIDNIGHT SONS

**BLOOD  
HUNT**

**1**

OF THREE



PARENTAL ADVISORY



A full-page illustration in a comic book style. A man in a dark suit, seen from behind, walks away from the viewer down a path of tall grass. He is carrying a long, thin object, possibly a sword or a rifle, over his shoulder. In the background, a large, dark brick church with a tall steeple and a cross on top is engulfed in bright orange and yellow flames. The sky is a deep, dark red, filled with swirling, dark smoke or clouds. The overall mood is ominous and dramatic.

A NIGHTMARE.

THAT'S WHAT  
THIS IS.

COLD, COLD  
AND BURNING AT  
THE SAME TIME.

WHERE  
AM I?

NOWHERE.

I'M DREAMING.  
NONE OF  
THIS IS REAL.

NONE OF  
THIS...

...IS REAL.



BLADE,  
YOU OKAY,  
MAN?

50's DINER

50's  
DINER

BLADE?

I AM  
WELL.

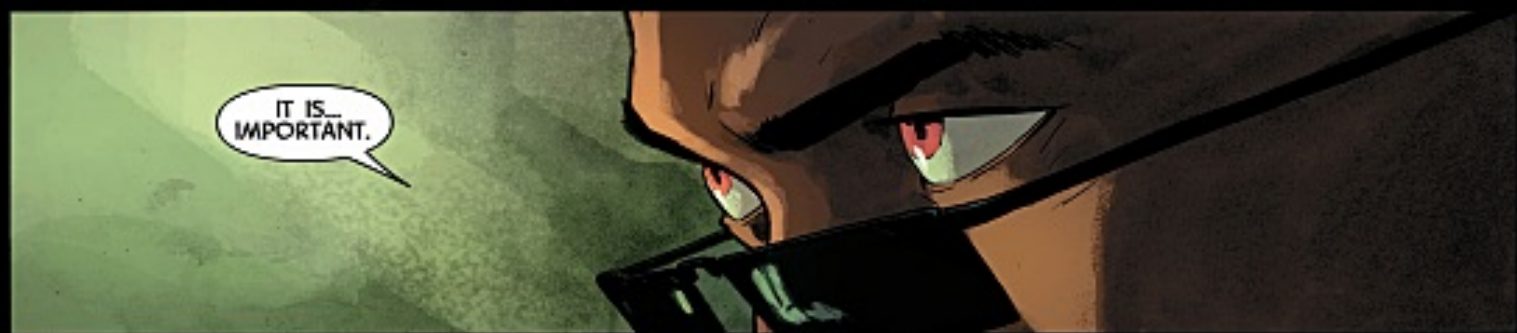
YOU  
DON'T LOOK  
WELL.

I CALLED  
UP THE CREW  
BECAUSE YOU  
ASKED. WE'RE  
ALL HERE.

SO  
WHAT DID YOU  
WANT?

ALL...  
HERE.













SOMETHING...  
IS HERE.





When Lilith, Mother of Demons, sent darkness and demons to attack the Earth, a team of supernatural heroes gathered to defend it. They called themselves the **MIDNIGHT SONS**. Now, as darkness shrouds the Earth once more, the Midnight Sons must reunite—among them are Danny Ketch, empowered by the Spirit of Vengeance as the **GHOST RIDER**; **JOHNNY BLAZE**, once a Ghost Rider himself who now fuels his weapons with hellfire; **VICTORIA MONTESI**, a daughter of the Elder God Chthon and an expert in dark magic; and **BLADE**, a half-human, half-vampire monster slayer. There's just one problem...

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## BLOOD HUNT

### PREVIOUSLY

Vampires have swarmed the Earth! When the **DARKFORCE DIMENSION** erupted and blocked out the sun, the Earth was bathed in eternal night—giving creatures of darkness free rein to attack humans all over the world. And **BLADE** is their leader! Now his recent ally and former flame **TULIP** is on the move to gather his old team...

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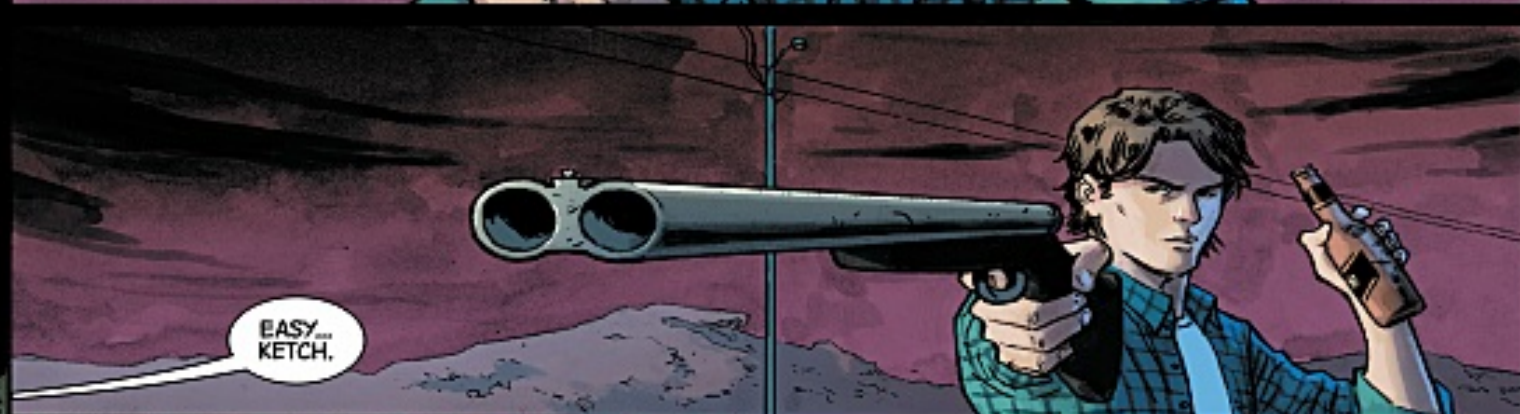
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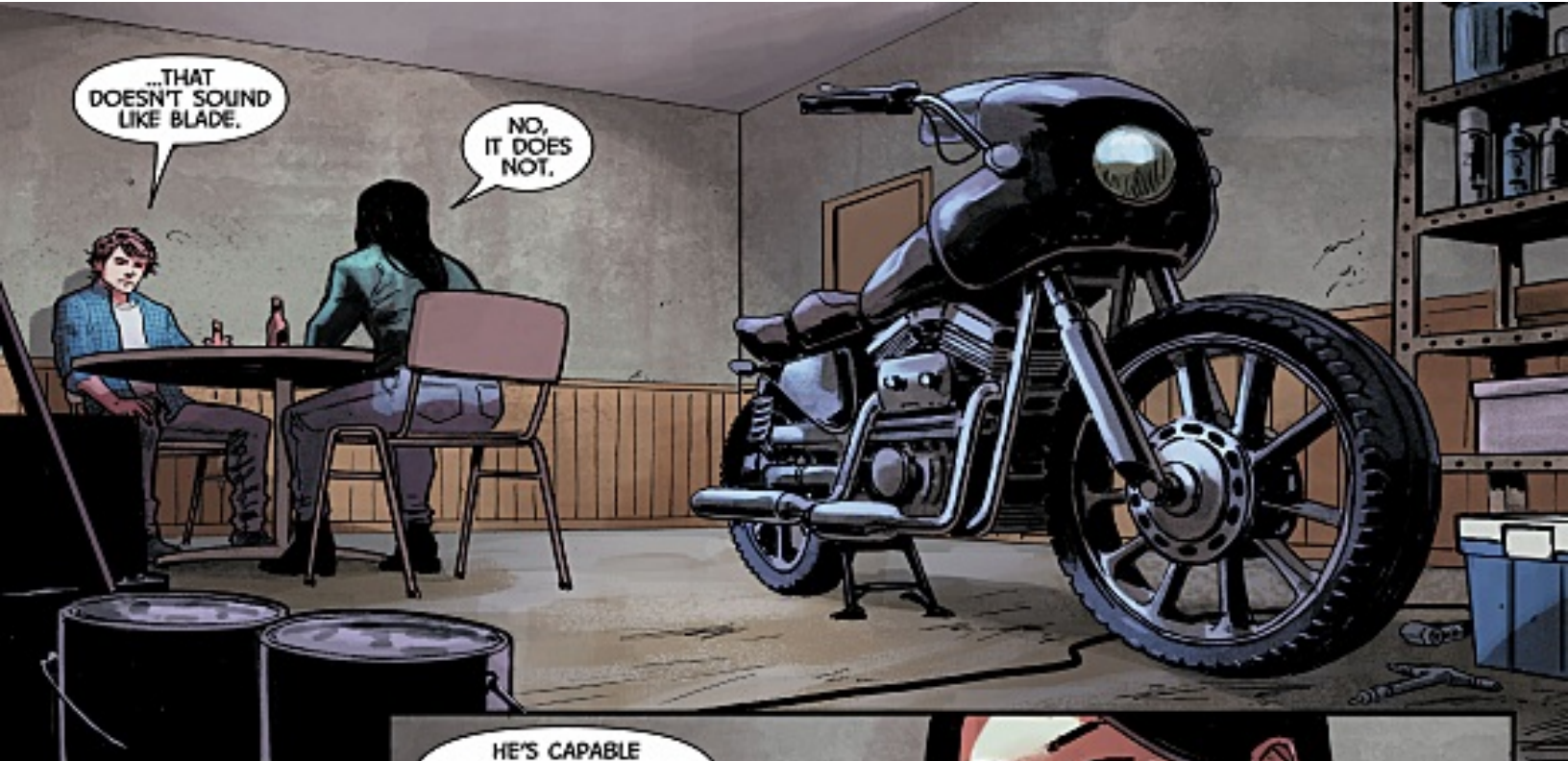
ARIZONA.











...THAT  
DOESN'T SOUND  
LIKE BLADE.

NO,  
IT DOES  
NOT.

HE'S CAPABLE  
OF A LOT OF THINGS.  
AFTER HIS TIME WITH  
DRACULA, HE'S CAPABLE  
OF MORE.\*

BUT HE  
WOULDN'T HUNT  
HIS OWN PEOPLE.  
NOT IF HE HAD  
A CHOICE.

\*SEE BLADE (2023) #6. --WJL



SO, WHAT--  
YOU THINK THAT IT'S  
NOT REALLY HIM, OR THAT  
SOMEONE'S PUTTING HIM  
UP TO THIS?



DON'T  
KNOW.

I WANT  
TO FIND HIM  
AND ASK, BUT  
I NEED  
HELP.



FROM...  
HIM.





**GHOST RIDER**  
WRAPS A CHAIN AROUND HIM,  
THEN A STARE MAKES HIM TELL  
THE TRUTH--THAT HOW YOU  
THINK IT WORKS?

DON'T  
KNOW HOW IT  
WORKS.

BUT I NEED  
SOMEONE WHO  
DOESN'T GIVE A %\$&.  
RECKLESS ABANDON.  
EVERYTHING GOING  
ON? IT'S TIME FOR  
**COWBOYS.**

AND WHAT  
ABOUT YOU, TULIP??  
I DON'T KNOW YOU.  
TRUST IS VERY  
IMPORTANT TO  
ME.

BOTH ME'S.  
HE'S GOING TO  
WANT TO KNOW  
WHAT YOU HAVE  
TO HIDE.









LATER.

LOOKED  
YOU UP. HEARD  
YOU LIKE TEA.

BOUGHT  
IT AT A GAS  
STATION. DON'T  
EXPECT MUCH.



THANKS.

I'M  
ASSUMING  
YOU'RE--



JOHNNY  
BLAZE. YEAH.



SO YOU'RE  
NOT THE FLAMING  
SKULL GUY  
ANYMORE?

NAH. I  
JUST SHOOT  
HELLFIRE  
THROUGH A  
SHOTGUN.\*

SOUNDS  
LOVELY.



\*FOR MORE ON WHAT'S GOING ON WITH JOHNNY,  
CHECK OUT GHOST RIDER: FINAL VENGEANCE,  
ON SALE NOW! --WN

SO WHAT HAPPENED?  
HE STARED AT ME AND  
I TOLD HIM ALL MY  
SECRETS?







NO, YOU  
FELT ALL OF  
THE PAIN YOU'VE  
CAUSED IN LIFE.



\$#&%.  
EXPLAINS  
WHY I PASSED  
OUT. I'VE BEEN  
A BAD GIRL.



I'VE SEEN  
WORSE. WOKE UP  
NEXT TO WORSE.

YOU'RE JUST  
RUN-OF-THE-MILL  
TRAUMATIZED AND  
HIDING IT WITH  
SWAGGER.



TEA'S  
GETTING  
COLD.



SO  
YOU'LL HELP  
ME?

WE'LL  
HELP YOU  
FIND BLADE.  
SURE. WE  
GO BACK.

BUT WHAT  
IF HE WANTS  
A FIGHT--YOU  
GOOD FOR  
IT?



BLADE ONCE  
MADE ME  
PROMISE THAT IF  
HE EVER WENT  
TOO FAR, IF THE  
DARK GOT HIM,  
I'D PUT HIM  
DOWN.

I'M GOOD  
AT KEEPING  
MY WORD.





HERE WE GO...



AND WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?



YOU. YOU'RE WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME, TULIP.

BRO, I JUST MET YOU. AND THE OTHER YOU.



SOMETIMES, WHEN MY OTHER HALF DOES HIS THING, I REMEMBER THINGS ABOUT THE PERSON WHO GETS THE STARE.

FEEL WHAT THEY'VE CAUSED. SEE GLIMPSES OF THEIR LIVES.

MAKES ME PUKE, SOMETIMES. GETTING IT OUT OF ME.



SORRY ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR FATHER.



WAIT.  
YOU SAW  
THAT?

FORGET  
I SAID IT.

BLADE.  
JOHNNY'S IN.  
WHAT ABOUT  
YOU?

JUST  
ABOUT.

BUT YOU  
SHOWED UP IN  
THE MIDDLE OF A  
THING. HELP *US*  
OUT, WE'LL HELP  
*YOU* OUT.



THING  
JOHN AND I  
ARE DOING, WE  
COULD USE A  
THIRD.

PICK  
SOMETHING.  
THEY ALL DO THE  
SAME THING.

SOME OF  
THEM ARE JUST  
LOUDER THAN  
OTHERS.

OOOO-  
WEEEE.





"WHAT ARE WE  
WAITING FOR?"

"WE'RE WAITING  
FOR *THAT*."

"FIVE SECONDS, TULIP.  
THEN GO AHEAD."















BECAUSE A CORPORATION THINKS THERE'S MONEY IN CAPTURING AND FRANCHISING THINGS FROM THE **DARKFORCE DIMENSION**.

DANNY AND I WERE OUT HERE WATCHING THE ROUTE.



I'M SORRY... TRANSPORTING WHAT?



NGGGGGH!



GHANAT SAHOT TUK TUK SASDATY!



ACK!















EL FASHA,  
IRAQ.



YOU ARE  
MONTESI?

I  
AM.



THE  
DARKNESS  
IS THERE.

I SEE  
CHILDREN  
AMONG  
YOU.  
GET THEM  
FAR FROM  
HERE.

NOW.







DAUGHTER OF  
CHTHON.

HAVE YOU  
COME TO SAVE  
THIS MAN?



I HAVE  
COME TO END  
THE SUFFERING  
OF THESE  
PEOPLE.



LIFE IS  
SUFFERING. DID  
YOUR FATHER NOT  
TELL YOU?

THE ADANA  
WAS LOOSED.\*  
NOW THOSE THAT  
FEED UPON  
BLOOD...THEY  
RISE.

AND MY  
LEGION HAS  
SO MUCH  
POWER IN THIS  
WORLD.

\*SEE BLADE (2023) #1. --WX



YOUR  
WORLD IS  
HELL.



I HAVE A  
SCRUPULOUS  
CONSCIENCE, DON'T  
YOU KNOW?

A NEED  
TO CONFESS  
MY SINS.



I LIKE BEING  
INSIDE THE FLESH.  
DRAGGING MY WHITE-  
HOT CLAWS ACROSS  
THE INSIDES OF THIS  
WITHERED MAN.

HE SCREAMS,  
YOU SEE. LIKE BRIGHT  
PRAYERS. WOULD YOU  
LIKE TO SEE HIS FEAR  
AND PAIN?



...HELP...  
ME...



AAAAHHHHHHH!!!  
PLEASE!!!!!!




I  
WILL HELP  
YOU.

NO...







...YOUR LOW  
MAGIC CAN DO  
NOTHING, SWEET  
CHTHONSPAWN. NOT  
NOW. IT IS *OUR*  
TIME ACROSS  
YOUR WORLD.


AND  
I HAVE MANY  
MORE SCREAMS TO  
ACCOMPLISH.



DO YOU  
COME HERE TO  
SILENCE YOUR GUILT?  
GUILT FROM BEING  
THE VESSEL OF  
CHTHON.

YOU ARE A  
JACKAL OF THE  
DARKHOLD. YOU KNOW  
THAT, DON'T YOU? SPAT  
BETWEEN THE BLOODY  
LOINS INTO THE  
WORLD.

ALL YOU  
EVER WERE...  
WAS ORPHANED  
FLESH.



I WAS  
MADE FROM  
EVIL.

THAT IS  
WHY EVIL WILL  
COME TO KNOW  
ME WELL.



YOU MEAN  
TO CUT ME OUT  
OF HIM?


TAKE YOUR  
TIME, WOMAN.  
FLAY HIM LAYER  
BY LAYER UNTIL  
YOU FIND ME  
GUSTENING.

EMBRACE  
YOUR NATURE.






MY NATURE  
HAS *CHANGED*,  
DEMON.



AND I  
DON'T PLAY FAIR  
ANYMORE.



WHAT...  
WHAT ARE YOU  
DOING?



REINFORCEMENTS.





YOU  
KNOW ME,  
SAY MY  
NAME.



...LILITH.











A LONG  
WAY TO COME,  
DRIFTER.



I NEEDED  
TO ASK YOU  
THE QUESTION  
IN PERSON.

AND NOW  
I NEED YOUR  
ANSWER.



WILL I  
HELP YOU KILL  
BLADE?

CONFRONT  
HIM, UNDERSTAND  
WHAT'S HAPPENING.  
I HAVEN'T SAID  
KILL YET.

YOU DIDN'T  
HAVE TO, I  
FORESAW YOUR  
COMING.

AND IF HE  
IS WHAT IT  
SEEMS HE HAS  
BECOME...



...THEN THE  
MIDNIGHT SONS  
WILL KILL HIM.



TO BE CONTINUED...



NEXT:

# MIDNIGHT SONS

## BLOOD HUNT

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Ghost Rider, Johnny Blaze and Victoria Montesi are back together again—this time, with the Mother of Demons Lilith in their own control! But will they be able to challenge their old friend and comrade? Or will Blade get the better of them—or even persuade them to his cause?



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# BLOOD HUNT

## CHECKLIST

### JUNE

- ☐ **BLOOD HUNT** #3
- ☐ **BLOOD HUNT: RED BAND** #3
- ☐ DRACULA: BLOOD HUNT #2
- ☐ X-MEN: BLOOD HUNT – JUBILEE #1
- ☐ UNION JACK THE RIPPER: BLOOD HUNT #2
- ☐ DOCTOR STRANGE #16
- ☐ VENGEANCE OF THE MOON KNIGHT #6
- ☐ FANTASTIC FOUR #21
- ☐ WOLVERINE: BLOOD HUNT #1
- ☐ BLOOD HUNTERS #2
- ☐ STRANGE ACADEMY: BLOOD HUNT #2
- ☐ MILES MORALES: SPIDER-MAN #21
- ☐ VENOM #34
- ☐ AMAZING SPIDER-MAN: BLOOD HUNT #2
- ☐ AVENGERS #15
- ☐ BLACK PANTHER: BLOOD HUNT #2
- ☐ MIDNIGHT SONS: BLOOD HUNT #2
- ☐ **BLOOD HUNT** #4
- ☐ **BLOOD HUNT: RED BAND** #4
- ☐ X-MEN: BLOOD HUNT – MAGIK #1
- ☐ WOLVERINE: BLOOD HUNT #2

### JULY

- ☐ BLACK PANTHER: BLOOD HUNT #3
- ☐ BLOOD HUNTERS #3
- ☐ DOCTOR STRANGE #17
- ☐ DRACULA: BLOOD HUNT #3
- ☐ MILES MORALES: SPIDER-MAN #22
- ☐ WEREWOLF BY NIGHT: BLOOD HUNT #1
- ☐ AVENGERS #16
- ☐ HULK: BLOOD HUNT #1
- ☐ UNION JACK THE RIPPER: BLOOD HUNT #3
- ☐ WOLVERINE: BLOOD HUNT #3
- ☐ AMAZING SPIDER-MAN: BLOOD HUNT #3
- ☐ BLOOD HUNTERS #4
- ☐ X-MEN: BLOOD HUNT – LAURA KINNEY THE WOLVERINE #1
- ☐ **BLOOD HUNT** #5
- ☐ **BLOOD HUNT: RED BAND** #5
- ☐ FANTASTIC FOUR #22
- ☐ MIDNIGHT SONS: BLOOD HUNT #3
- ☐ STRANGE ACADEMY: BLOOD HUNT #3
- ☐ VENGEANCE OF THE MOON KNIGHT #7
- ☐ WOLVERINE: BLOOD HUNT #4